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Mail Stop Amendment

Group Art Unit: 3724

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For : PUNCHING TOOL PROVIDED WITH TOOL IDENTIFICATION MEDIUM AND PUNCH PRESS PROVIDED WITH A TOOL IDENTIFICATION MEDIUM READER

Mail Stop Amendment

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Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.111** in the above-captioned application.

_____ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

_____ A Request for Extension of Time.

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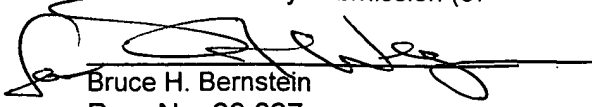
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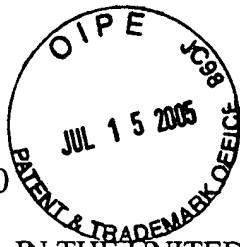
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated April 15, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on July 15, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application, in view of the herein contained remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.